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PADUCAH MAN INDICTED IN FEDERAL COURT FOR TRAFFICKING CRACK-COCAINE

LOUISVILLE, KY - David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today that on May 15, 2007, a federal grand jury in Paducah returned an indictment against Anthony Quemar Daniels, age 24, of 3501 Lovelaceville Road, Paducah in McCracken County, on charges of conspiracy and distribution of crack-cocaine.

The Indictment alleges that between January and November 17, 2006, Daniels conspired with persons known and unknown to the grand jury to possess with the intent to distribute more than 50 grams of crack cocaine in McCracken County, Kentucky. In addition, the Indictment charges that on each of the following dates Daniels distributed more than 5 grams of crack-cocaine in McCracken County: January 6, 2006, January 12, 2006, January 13, 2006, and October 18, 2006. The Indictment also charges that on November 8, 2006, Daniels distributed crack-cocaine. The crack-cocaine recovered in this matter has a street value of over \$5,100.

Usually, in the event of a conviction, the minimum potential penalty would be ten years imprisonment with a maximum potential penalty of life imprisonment, a \$4,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least five years. However, because Daniels has a prior state

court conviction for trafficking in cocaine, the minimum penalties can be doubled in federal court. Therefore in the event of a conviction, Daniels is facing a minimum penalty of twenty years imprisonment, a \$8,000,000 fine and supervised release for a period of at least ten years following incarceration.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michele Thielhorn, and it was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and the Paducah Police Department.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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